

Friday, March 29, 1996

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate/House passed Further Continuing Appropriations.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S3171–S3250*

**Measures Introduced:** Nine bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1655–1663, and S. Res. 236–240. **Page S3216**

**Measures Reported:** Reports were made as follows: S. 1271, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 104–248) **Page S3216**

#### Measures Passed:

**Committee Appointments:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 236, appointing members to certain Senate committees. **Page S3185**

**Continuing Appropriations:** By 64 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 60), Senate passed H.J. Res. 170, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 1996, clearing the measure for the President. **Pages S3195–96**

**Adjournment/Recess Resolution:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 157, providing for an adjournment or recess for the two Houses. **Page S3202**

**Legal Counsel Representation:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 239, to authorize representation by Senate Legal Counsel. **Page S3247**

**Legal Counsel Representation:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 240, to authorize representation by Senate Legal Counsel. **Pages S3247–48**

**Whitewater Investigation Extension—Cloture Filed:** A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 227, to authorize the use of additional funds for salaries and expenses of the Special Committee to Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, April 16, 1996. **Page S3249**

**Immigration Reform—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration to increase control over immigration to the United States by increasing border patrol and investigator personnel, improving the verification system for employer sanctions, increasing penalties for alien smuggling and for document fraud, reforming asylum, exclusion, and deportation law and procedures, instituting a land border user fee, and reducing the use of welfare by aliens, on Monday, April 15, 1996. **Page S3249**

**Authority for Committees:** All committees were authorized to file executive and legislative reports during the adjournment of the Senate on Wednesday, April 10, 1996, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Page S3249**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Gaston L. Gianni, Jr., of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Stuart E. Eizenstat, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade. **Page S3250**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

M. Margaret McKeown, of Washington, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Lawrence Baskir, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Colleen Kollar-Kotelly, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

Leslie M. Alexander, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ecuador.

Prudence Bushnell, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kenya.

Joan B. Gottschall, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Frank R. Zapata, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona.

4 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

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**Nomination Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of the withdrawal of the following nomination:

Mary Burrus Babson, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term of one year, which was received by the Senate on January 22, 1996.

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**Additional Statements:**

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**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—60)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and, in accordance with H. Con. Res. 157, adjourned at 5:13 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Monday, April 15, 1996.

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded hearings on proposed legisla-

tion authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on arms control, cooperative threat reduction programs and chemical demilitarization, after receiving testimony from Susan Koch, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Threat Reduction Policy; Theodore Procy, Deputy Assistant to the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Chemical/Biological Matters; and Kent Stansberry, Deputy Director, Arms Control Implementation and Compliance, Office of Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense of Technology for Acquisition and Technology.

### AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Airland Forces concluded hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, focusing on Army and Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) modernization efforts, after receiving testimony from Gilbert F. Decker, Assistant Secretary for Research and Development and Acquisition, Gen. Ronald Griffith, Vice Chief of Staff, and Gen. William W. Hartzog, Commanding General, United States Training and Doctrine Command, all of the Department of the Army; Rear Adm. Barton D. Strong, USN, Program Executive Officer for Cruise Missiles and Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV)s; and Charles Heber, Director, High Altitude Endurance/Unmanned Aerial Vehicle, Advanced Research Projects Agency.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 32 public bills, H.R. 3198–3229; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 170–171, H. Con. Res. 157–159, and H. Res. 397–399 were introduced.

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 395, providing for consideration of H.J. Res. 159, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require two-thirds majorities for bills increasing taxes (H. Rept. 104–513);

H. Res. 396, providing for consideration of H.R. 842, to provide off-budget treatment for the Highway Trust Fund, the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, the Inland Waterways Trust Fund, and the

Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund (H. Rept. 104–514);

H.R. 2747, to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to make grants to States for the purpose of financing the construction, rehabilitation, and improvement of water supply systems, amended (H. Rept. 104–515); and

H.R. 842, to provide off-budget treatment for the Highway Trust Fund, the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, the Inland Waterways Trust Fund, and the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund; adversely (H. Rept. 104–499, Pt. 2).

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**Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Gunderson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Journal:** By a recorded vote of 323 ayes to 83 noes, with 1 voting "present", Roll No. 109, the House approved the Journal of Thursday, March 28.

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**Order of Business:** It was made in order that the Committee on Appropriations be discharged from the further consideration of H.J. Res. 170 when called up; and that it be in order at any time to consider the joint resolution in the House; that the joint resolution be debatable for not to exceed one hour, to be equally divided and controlled by Representative Livingston and Representative Obey; that all points of order against the joint resolution and against its consideration be waived; and that the previous question be considered as ordered on the joint resolution to final passage without intervening motion, except one motion to recommit, without instructions.

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**Product Liability Legal Reform:** By a yea-and-nay vote of 259 yeas to 158 nays, Roll No. 110, the House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 956, to establish legal standards and procedures for product liability litigation.

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H. Res. 394, the rule waiving points of order against consideration of the conference report was agreed to earlier by a voice vote. Agreed to order the previous question on the resolution by a yea-and-nay vote of 237 yeas to 173 nays, Roll No. 108.

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**Further Continuing Appropriations:** House passed H.J. Res. 170, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1996.

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**District Work Period:** House agreed to H. Con. Res. 157, providing for an adjournment or recess of the two Houses.

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**Committee Election:** House agreed to H. Res. 397, electing Representative Hayes to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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**Legislative Program:** The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of April 15.

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**Resignations—Appointments:** It was made in order that, notwithstanding any adjournment of the House until Monday, April 15, the Speaker and the Minority Leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law of the House.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of April 17.

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**Designation of Speaker Pro Tempore:** Read a letter from the Speaker authorizing Representative Emerson to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through Monday, April 15, 1996.

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**British-American Interparliamentary Group:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House as delegates to the British-American Interparliamentary Group: Representatives Clinger, Brownback, Emerson, Linder, Molinari, Petri, and Pryce.

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**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H3173 and H3228.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3183, H3184, and H3204.

**Adjournment:** Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5 p.m.

## Committee Meeting

### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission). Testimony was heard from Representative Smith of New Jersey.

The Subcommittee also continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

### ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on the Secretary of Energy. Testimony was heard from Hazel R. O'Leary, Secretary of Energy.

### TRUTH IN BUDGETING ACT

*Committee on the Budget:* Ordered reported unfavorably H.R. 842, Truth in Budgeting Act.

### CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION REAUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on reauthorization of the Consumer Product Safety Commission. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Consumer Product Safety Commission: Ann Brown, Chairman; Mary Sheila Gall and Thomas Hill Moore, both Commissioners; the following former Chairmen of the Commission: Terrence Scanlon and Nancy Harvey Steorts; and Carol Dawson, former Commissioner.

**SINGLE AUDIT ACT AMENDMENTS**

*Committee on Government Reform and Oversight:* Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held a hearing on H.R. 3184, Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996. Testimony was heard from G. Edward DeSeve, Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, OMB; Gene L. Dodaro, Assistant Comptroller General, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

**OMNIBUS EXPORT ADMINISTRATION ACT**

*Committee on International Relations:* Ordered reported amended H.R. 361, Omnibus Export Administration Act of 1995.

**GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY ACT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action H.R. 3166, Government Accountability Act of 1996.

**DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION**

*Committee on National Security:* Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development continued joint hearings on the fiscal year 1997 national Defense authorization, with emphasis on Navy modernization. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: John W. Douglass, Assistant Secretary, Research, Development, and Acquisition; VAdm. Thomas J. Lopez, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Resources, Warfare Requirements, and Assessments; and Maj. Gen. Jeffrey W. Oster, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff, Programs and Resources, U.S. Marine Corps.

**TAX LIMITATION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing for the consideration of H.J. Res. 159, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require two-thirds majorities for bills increasing taxes, in the House without the intervention of any point of order. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the Text of H.J. Res. 169 will be considered as adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the joint resolution as amended, and on any further amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except as specified. The rule provides 3 hours of debate equally divided and controlled between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on

the Judiciary. The rule further provides for an amendment by the Minority Leader or his designee, which will be considered as read, and which will be debatable for 1 hour equally divided between the proponent and an opponent. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Barton of Texas, Shadegg, Hall of Texas, Skaggs, Frank of Massachusetts, Conyers and Geren of Texas.

**TRUTH IN BUDGETING ACT**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 2 hours of debate on H.R. 842, Truth in Budgeting Act. The rule makes in order the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Committee on the Budget. The rule makes in order the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule provides that each section of the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. Priority in recognition will be given to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD prior to their consideration. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Shuster.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Small Business:* Ordered reported amended the following bills: H.R. 3158, Pilot Small Business Technology Transfer Program Extension Act of 1996; and H.R. 2715, Paperwork Elimination Act of 1995.

**ADMINISTRATION'S BUDGET REQUEST**

*Committee on Veteran's Affairs:* Held a hearing on the Administration's fiscal year 1997 budget request. Testimony was heard from Jesse Brown, Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Frank Q. Nebeker, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Veterans Appeals.

*Joint Meetings***OMNIBUS APPROPRIATIONS**

*Conferees* continued to resolve the differences between the Senate and House-passed versions of H.R. 3019, making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a further downpayment toward a balanced budget, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Monday, April 15.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Monday, April 15

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** After the recognition of three Senators for speeches and the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 2 p.m.), Senate will consider proposed legislation providing for immigration reform.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12:30 p.m., Monday, April 15

## House Chamber

**Program for Monday:** Consideration of H.J. Res. 159, the taxpayer bill of rights, constitutional amendment.  
Consideration of H.R. 842, the Truth in Budgeting Act.

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